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For: CONTROL DEVICE FOR CONTROLLING

**ELECTROMEDICAL APPLIANCES** 

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## REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REFERENCES CITED

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant's undersigned representatives respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge the references cited on Form PTO/SB/08A/B originally filed on August 11, 2008 with the Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the original submission along with a copy of the PTO stamped postcard receipt, are being filed herewith for convenience.

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## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date, OR more than three months after the date of entry of the national stage of a PCT application, AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, whichever occurs first, but before the mailing date of a Final Office Action or Notice of Allowance (37 CFR 1.97(c)).

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1), each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a Chinese Office Action for the related Chinese patent application No. 200480031776.4. The Chinese Office Action is dated June 6, 2008, which is not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicant has not submitted copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. E7900.2005/P2005.

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